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For: PROTON CONDUCTING MEMBRANE, METHOD FOR PRODUCING THE SAME  
AND FUEL CELL USING THE SAME

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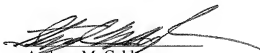
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If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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